been earmarked for the Scheme in the Budget 2001-02. Location of apparel parks will be finalized as per parameters of the Scheme.

Formulation of long term Textiles Policy

†3609. SHRI BRATIN SENGUPTA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether FICCI have requested Government to formulate a long term textiles policy at least for five years;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether Government are aware of the fact that there are long term policies in vogue in several developing and developed countries; and

(d) if so, whether any assessment has been worked out in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAY KUMAR): (a) to (d) Government have seen a paper submitted by FICCI to the Hon'ble Minister of Textiles regarding Policy Reforms for Rejuvenation of the Textile Industry in India. The suggestions made by FICCI are the ones that industry had been making for a longtime in the past as well. Government have recently announced a National Textile Policy 2000 covering the entire gamut of textile industry and providing for not only goals and targets to be achieved for this sector but also a future projection for the next many years to come. Each country is expected to formulate its policies on textile and other sectors keeping in mind the ground realities obtaining in the that country as also its outlook for the future. The National Textile Policy 2000 takes into account the Indian realities viz-a-viz the international scenario.

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3610. SHRI DIPANKER MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

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